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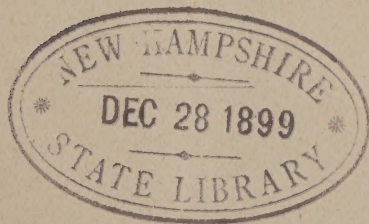
TOWN OFFICERS

OF

JAFFREY, N. H.,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

MARCH 1, 1881.



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1881.



SCHOOL REPORT.

The Superintendent of Schools for the year ending March 1, 1881, respectfully submits the following report:

SUMMER SCHOOLS.

Districts.	NAMES OF TEACHERS.
\$20 00	1 Annie F. Crombie.....
32 00	2 Sarah E. Robbins.....
28 00	2 Georgia A. Lynch.....
19 00	3 Ella M. Allen.....
16 00	4 Anna L. Fortistall.....
20 00	5 Georgia A. Bigelow.....
20 00	6 Elsie H. Williams.....
36 00	7 Emma J. Chase.....
20 00	8 Harriet N. Hardon....
22 00	9 Julia M. Buckminster..
16 00	10 United with No. 9.....
22 00	11 Annie M. Wheeler.....
22 00	12 Lucy A. Whitcomb.....
22 00	13 No school.....
	*Grammar. †Primary.
Wages per month including board.	
Number of weeks.	
Number of scholars.	
Boys.	
Girls.	
Average attendance.	
Not absent one-half day.	
Under five years of age.	
Between five and fifteen.	
Over fifteen.	
Scholars in Reading.	
Spelling.	
Writing.	
Arithmetic.	
Geography.	
Grammar.	
Drawing.	
Higher studies.	
Visits by S. S. Committee.	
Visits by Prudential Committee.	
Visits by citizens and others.	
School commenced.	
School closed.	

FALL AND WINTER SCHOOLS.

Districts.	NAMES OF TEACHERS.
1	Harriet N. Haradon.....
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1	*Sarah E. Robbins.....
2	George H. Rockwood.....
2	*Georgia A. Lynch.....
2	Sarah E. Robbins.....
3	George B. Underwood.....
4	Alice L. Bemis.....
5	Georgia A. Bigelow.....
6	Ella M. Allen.....
7	Emma J. Chase.....
8	Mary R. Colby.....
9	Julia M. Buckminster.....
9	Julia M. Buckminster.....
10	Lizzie S. Poole.....
11	No school.
12	Annie F. Crombie.....
13	*Grammar. †Primary.
	Wages per month including board.
	Number of weeks.
	Number of scholars.
	Boys.
	Girls.
	Average attendance.
	Not absent one half day.
	Under five years of age.
	Between five and fifteen.
	Over fifteen.
	Scholars in Reading.
	Spelling.
	Writing.
	Arithmetic.
	Geography.
	Grammar.
	Drawing.
	Higher studies.
	Visits by S. S. Committee.
	Visits by Prudential Committee.
	Visits by citizens and others.
	School commenced.
	School closed.

Scholars between 5 and 15 years of age not in school during the year.....	20
Whole number of different scholars in school during the year—boys, 126 ; girls, 134—.....	260
Average daily attendance	189
Number of children reported by Selectmen, April, 1880, between the ages of 5 and 15—boys, 105 ; girls, 85—...	190
Scholars having no absences during the year	24

DIVISION OF SCHOOL MONEY.

District No. 1,	\$136 21	District No. 8,	\$106 91
2,	631 71	9 & 10,	158 16
3,	117 85	11,	74 70
4,	82 56	12,	59 30
5,	113 16	13,	79 48
6, ..	115 77		
7,	231 67	Total appropriation,	\$1907 48

The highest wages paid any teacher, \$60 per month ; the lowest, \$16 ; average wages per month, \$25.53 ; expenses per scholar, \$7.34. Text books have been furnished by the town to the amount of \$2.37.

Our schools in the past have varied much in character. Some have been under teachers exercising so thorough discipline and imparting instruction with such exactness as to make it difficult to see how they could be improved ; others have shown no marked excellencies or defects, while a third class have been unmistakably wanting in that discipline and thoroughness which ever marks schools of the first order. No school has been a failure, nor have any come as near to it as did some of the previous year. As a whole, it is believed the efficiency of our schools is greater than a year ago. In those cases where they have been the least successful the entire blame is by no means to be thrown on the teachers. There is no reason for thinking that any teacher has been intentionally remiss in duty. When at fault, the difficulty has been want of energy and not knowing how to teach ; defects which, perhaps, different schools and more experience may remedy.

Three teachers taught for the first time. Eighty-two visits have been made to the schools at different times during the several terms in order to see them as they appeared when not expecting the superintendent, or prepared to make the best show. Beginning the year with the experience derived from the care of our schools during the previous twelve months, your superintendent has endeavored to remedy defects and encourage excellencies as he has found them actually existing. There has been no attempt to lay down general rules which should meet the requirements of each district, for the very good reason that what might be wise in one would be unwise in another. For example, more can and ought to be required of scholars having thirty weeks of school during the year, in warm, comfortable and well furnished school houses, than should be from those with half that amount of time at school in uncomfortable, poorly furnished houses so cold in winter that the pupils must be huddled about the stove the greater part of the morning to be kept from actually suffering. Then, too, scholars who can attend school for only a limited time should have a different course of study marked out for them than is arranged for those who can go year after year. In brief, the aim has been to make our schools the best under the circumstances, and at the same time not to rest content with circumstances which cripple their efficiency. How far this end has been attained, others can judge. In no case, so far as is known, has there been any opposition on the part of prudential committee, parents or teachers, to plans which have seemed to the superintendent for the best interests of the schools. To them he returns thanks for uniform courtesy, co-operation when asked, and attention to suggestions which not always the wisest were certainly the result of careful thought and having regard to the welfare of the whole town.

Arrangements have been made for the introduction of Swinton's Word Book in place of the North American Speller, so long used in our schools. This book was selected after careful examination and consultation with teachers, and is believed to combine more excellencies with fewer defects than any other of its kind. The publishers take the old spellers, giving in return copy for copy, so there will not be the slightest expense to the town from the change. This exchange takes the last of the old books from the schools, leaving uniform and approved text books in the sev-

eral branches of study. The town is thus provided with one of the first three essentials for good schools. The other two, good school houses well furnished and good teachers, it may and will have if it consults its highest interests. With two exceptions our school houses are in tolerable order. Only one is furnished as every school house should be. The only things really necessary for a school room, to be furnished by the district, are blackboard, globe, and outline maps. Other things it may be well to have, but those mentioned are essentials. It is true that there are blackboards in every school house, but some from want of care are well nigh useless. Let the prudential committee in each district, before the beginning of a term of school, see that the blackboard in his school house is in such condition that chalk will make a good legible mark on it.

For want of globes our scholars spend double the time they ought on Geography, and then fail of knowing it well. With good text books and school houses in proper order the work of securing good teachers is much lessened, since one who teaches with a purpose is anxious to have the facilities which will enable him to accomplish his end. Let there be a demand on the part of superintendent, prudential committee and parents, for the things which are lacking to make our schools what they ought to be, and we shall have them. The demand will in some way create the supply. The demand, however, will not be made till the need is seen.

A system of good schools is of such vital importance that every intelligent person should have some well defined ideas about it; see its bearing on himself and others. Reason as one may, there are facts which no theories can overthrow, showing a very intimate connection between ignorance, vice and crime. Everything which we can do to raise the standard of education in our town will, by raising the standard of morality, decrease the temptations to vice, lessen the taxes for paupers, and the expense of officers to care for the public safety. But not every school will do this. In order that it may, it must be under the influence of a power which will mould the character of those in it. This power must be largely from the teacher; hence the importance of having teachers such as we would like our children to be. Without quickness of body and mind, the power to see clearly the needs of pupils, and how to supply those needs, little can be ac-

complished, however good the intention. The very attitude of a teacher in the school room gives tone to the school. Water will as soon rise above its own level, as scholars be quick, exact and enthusiastic in their studies while the teacher is slow, inexact and wanting in energy. Some teachers find more dull scholars than others, simply from their want of tact in discovering the capabilities of their pupils. The true teacher will find something in every mind to respond to his attractive power. Pass a magnet over a pile of iron filings more or less imbedded in the dust, and the whole mass throbs to a degree with the newly imparted power, though some particles from their load of earth respond less readily than others. So pupils respond to good teachers, since they are magnetic in the influence springing from their enthusiasm, well stored minds, and fruitfulness in resources for making lessons more than a mere task. Such teachers are needed in all our schools. They are not, however, to be found without care. The one wishing a school thinking it an easy way to earn money, and that anybody can teach small scholars, does not belong to the class. They are nevertheless to be found, and we may have them if we will but do our part in making our schools places where such teachers can exert the power they wish to put forth to the best advantage. This is to be done by uniting our smaller districts. I would repeat with added emphasis all that was said in the report of last year in reference to this matter. While the population of our town has been changing and gathering round new centres, our school houses remain unchanged. This is a great injustice to the districts with few scholars. As they have decreased in scholars their proportion of money has grown less, until they are now able only to have schools ranging from ten to eighteen weeks during the year. The real outgrowth of this kind of education is that the scholars in these schools, unless taught at home, are not securing knowledge enough to enable them as men and women to transact the ordinary business of life. The town appropriates money sufficient to have good schools for all its scholars, and its attention is respectfully and earnestly invited to the fact that it is not distributed as it should be to secure the greatest good.

Another method to benefit our smaller schools, but in the opinion of your superintendent less satisfactory than the uniting of districts, would be the abolishing altogether of the district sys-

tem. As there seems to be a misapprehension on the part of many in regard to the authority of the town over its schools, attention is called to the following provisions of our statute on that subject:

"Any town may at any time abolish the school districts therein, and shall thereupon forthwith take possession of all the school houses, land, apparatus, and other property owned and used for school purposes, which such district might lawfully sell or convey. The property so taken shall be appraised under the direction of the town, and at the next annual assessment thereafter a tax shall be levied upon the whole town equal to the amount of the whole appraisal, and there shall be remitted to the tax payers of each district the said appraised value of its property thus taken, or the difference in the value of the property of the several districts may be adjusted in any other manner agreed upon by the parties in interest. Such town shall then be considered as one district, and shall have all the powers and liabilities of the same. Such districts composed of the whole town shall at their annual meeting elect a board of education, who shall have and exercise all the powers and duties of superintending and prudential school committees; and should any such district neglect to choose such board of education, the selectmen shall on or before the twentieth day of April ensuing appoint such board."—*General Laws, Chapters 86 and 87.*

Jaffrey has ever held an enviable reputation amongst the towns of New Hampshire. Few if any other in proportion to population can boast of having sent out as many men and women of liberal education. Nor has her influence been confined to New Hampshire alone. In other states, on the bench, in the pulpit, as physicians and merchants, her sons have given unmistakable evidence of their early training. With the power to do more for her scholars than ever before, will she so far go back on her good record as to suffer any of them to grow up without the advantage of good schools?

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Prudential Committee, ALFRED SAWYER.

Teachers—Summer Term, Annie F. Crombie; Fall and Winter Terms, Mrs. H. N. Haradon.

In number of scholars this district ranks second. During the summer term for some reason, perhaps because the older scholars had left and younger ones come in, this school was not up to the standard of the previous year, or to that of the following

terms. It was Miss Crombie's misfortune to have the school at this transition period. She did faithful work in it, and there is no doubt if she had remained in charge another term but she would have succeeded in bringing it up as Mrs. Haradon did to its former standing. Miss Crombie I regard as one of our best teachers. The two terms under Mrs. Haradon were what was to be expected from a teacher of her experience in other districts.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Prudential Committee, CHARLES CUTTER.

Teachers—Summer and Fall Terms, Grammar Department, Sarah E. Robbins; Winter Term, G. H. Rockwood. Summer and Fall Terms, Primary Department, Georgia A. Lynch; Winter Term, Sarah E. Robbins.

In taking charge of the Primary Department of this school, Miss Lynch labored under the disadvantage of following a teacher whom the scholars thought perfect. It was settled in their minds that no one else could do for them as well as Miss Robbins. Of course this was a little discouraging to the new teacher, and suggested the old query of the Preacher, "What can the man do that cometh after the king?" Miss Lynch worked hard, and while not accomplishing all she wished in the way of discipline, succeeded better than the majority of our teachers would under like circumstances. The examinations passed off well, and the general appearance of the school both terms was such as to give Miss Lynch a good record as a teacher. The Winter Term under Miss Robbins was in keeping with those of the previous year, only rendered a little more effective by some new devices of her ever fertile mind for interesting her pupils. Miss Robbins' two terms in the Grammar Department were marked by her usual success; there as in other schools she was not content to go on in a merely mechanical way. Old methods which were found not to answer the ends for which they were intended were discarded, and new ones introduced. Thus the minds of the pupils were kept on the alert and intelligently interested in studies that before had been without meaning to them.

Of the Winter Term under Mr. Rockwood it need only be said that it was characterized by the same thoroughness in instruction and discipline that has marked the Conant High School since he has had it in charge.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Prudential Committee, A. W. HODGE.

Teachers—Summer Term, Ella M. Allen; Winter Term, G. B. Underwood.

This was Miss Allen's first school, and it was highly creditable to her as a teacher. Thoroughness and quickness of insight into the wants of her pupils made their progress easy and rapid. Mr. Underwood had taught this school before, and so came to it with all the advantage one has who takes up a work in which he has previously engaged with good success. His scholars made fair improvement in all their studies; in some they excelled. This was specially true of writing and composition, and showed what may be done by constant practice in these important branches, now so often neglected. Pupils who found it difficult to frame the shortest sentence on paper at the beginning of the term, at the close found to their surprise that they could compose with comparative ease. A prize was offered, which stimulated to exertion.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

Prudential Committee, A. J. ADAMS.

Teachers—Summer Term, Anna L. Foristall; Fall Term, Alice L. Bemis.

This was one of the smallest schools, eight scholars the first, and eleven the second term. Miss Foristall was obliged on account of illness to close her school after teaching seven weeks. Judging from two visits, the pupils made very good progress. Miss Bemis labored at great disadvantage in not being able to classify her scholars. She worked faithfully, and the examination at the close of the school, if it did not indicate all the progress that could have been desired, showed as much as could reasonably be expected under the circumstances.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Prudential Committee, DANIEL C. ADAMS.

Teacher—Summer and Fall Terms, Georgia A. Bigelow.

Miss Bigelow met with her usual success, the school appearing to good advantage in every respect during its entire course.

The atmosphere of the school room was such as to excite intellectual activity and reduce the number of dull scholars to the minimum. This was the only school having the same pupils for two terms. The average attendance was fourteen for the school year out of a total of fifteen. The scholars did not like to stay from school, and the consequence was they found some way to avoid being absent.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

Prudential Committee, F. S. KING.

Teachers—Summer Term, Elsie H. Williams; Fall Term, Ella M. Allen.

A new school house is greatly needed in this district, the present one being altogether inadequate. Miss Williams had taught here before, and so had the advantage of not coming as a stranger. The general tone of the summer school was not quite up to that of the previous year. As was the case in some other districts the scholars were irregular in attendance, and of course this broke up classes and deprived those who were regular of the assistance they might otherwise have received. The examination at the close was very creditable to teacher and pupils. The Fall Term, under Miss Allen, was twelve weeks. As in the summer, the attendance was irregular. The general tone of the school maintained the good reputation which Miss Allen secured during the summer in District No. 3.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

Prudential Committee, JOSEPH SMITH.

Teacher—Summer and Fall Terms, Emma J. Chase.

Miss Chase's work in this district was but a continuation of what she had been doing during a term of the previous year. The general character of the school was satisfactory, and the progress of some of the scholars very marked, especially in Arithmetic. Miss Chase exhibited some exceptionally good qualities as a teacher.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

Prudential Committee, JOSEPH THAYER.

Teachers—Summer Term, Mrs. H. N. Haradon; Fall Term, Mary R. Colby.

Both Mrs. Haradon and Miss Colby were teachers of experience, and aroused a good degree of enthusiasm in their scholars, which was well sustained to the close. The examinations showed hard work on the part of teacher and pupils.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

Prudential Committee, ELBRIDGE DONOVAN.

Teacher—Summer, Fall and Winter Terms, Julia M. Buckminster.

This school showed a marked improvement over the former year in the average attendance of its scholars. It had the good fortune to secure the services of the same teacher for three terms. Miss Buckminster had been in the school before, and required no time to acquaint herself with its wants. From the beginning to the end of the year there was order and thoroughness, and as a matter of course good improvement in the different studies.

DISTRICT NO. 11.

Prudential Committee, J. W. WOODRUFF.

Teachers—Summer Term, Mrs. Annie M. Wheeler; Fall Term, Mrs. Lizzie S. Poole.

A district with so few scholars as this is to be congratulated in having such teachers as Mrs. Wheeler and Mrs. Poole. Their names are a sufficient guarantee that both terms of school were good. The school house in this district needs repairs. The blackboards are in such condition as to be almost useless.

DISTRICT NO. 12.

Prudential Committee, ALVA STANLEY.

Teacher, Lucy A. Whitcomb.

One term of ten weeks in a very pleasant, and, with exception of globe, well furnished school house. This was Miss Whitcomb's first attempt at teaching. The general appearance of the school as gathered from two visits showed hard work, and as good progress as could be expected under the circumstances. The same difficulty, though not to quite the same extent as mentioned in the last report, interfered very materially with the progress of the school. This was the want of uniform text

books, which prevented the teacher from classifying the scholars so as to use her time to the best advantage. This is the only school not provided for in this respect.

DISTRICT NO. 13.

Prudential Committee, B. F. PRESCOTT.

Teacher, Annie F. Crombie.

One term of sixteen weeks. The school house, which was reported last year as the poorest in town, has been repaired so as to be comfortable and attractive. This was Miss Crombie's second year in this school, and her former success had led the superintendent to expect a good school. In this he was not disappointed. The general appearance of the school, and the progress of the scholars as learned by personal observation, and from the report of those capable and having the opportunity to judge, were satisfactory in the highest degree. There were five pupils in Drawing and six in the higher branches.

ROLL OF HONOR.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Scholars not absent or tardy during the year:

Ernest B. Garfield,

Willie S. Walker.

For two terms;

Lily A. Morse,
Sarah E. Annett,

Fred K. Davis,
Curtis H. Morse,
Herbert A. Robertson,

Enville J. Wheeler,
Albert F. Wheeler.

For one term:

Elsie C. Annett,
Marietta C. Annett,
Lilian A. Morse,

Arthur S. Annett,
Fred A. Stratton,
Fred L. Sawyer,
Bertie F. Wheeler,

Willie W. Fairbanks,
Fred S. Morse,
Warren H. Morse.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT.

Not absent for the year:

Jesse Hall.

For two terms:

Mamie Bartlett,
Mary Blake,
Maggie Carey,
Stella Ingraham,

Fannie Kittredge,
Jessie Rice,
Willie Adams,
Chester Goodnow,
Charlie Emery,

Clarence Gardner,
Mark Gardner,
Annie Bailey,
Joseph Simoneau.

For one term:

Annie Donnelly,
Katie Donnelly,

Gertie Newell,
Mabel Capen,

Herbert Bixby,
James Mitchell.

GRAMMAR DEPARTMENT.

For the year:

Willis I. Gardner.

For two terms:

Harry Kidder,

George L. Rice.

For one term:

Mabel Chaplin,
Cora Bruce,
Gertie Emery,
Jennie Fairbanks.

Mabel Heywood,
Ella Sawyer,
Etta Sawyer,
Mary F. Bailey,

Mary L. Kittredge,
Fred Hunt,
George Towne,
Ernest O. Raymond.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Not absent for the year:

Alice M. Heath,

Abbie A. Underwood.

For one term:

Mary E. Sawtelle,

Lucien W. Heath,
Charlie E. Goff,

Bertie C. Sawtelle.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

Not absent for the year:

Minnie Spaulding.

For one term:

Edith B. Spaulding,

Carrie Butler,

Albert Butler.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Not absent for the year:

Gertie M. Adams,

Idella S. Field,
Eva J. Willoughby,

Lillie E. Willoughby.

For one term:

Maud B. Adams,

Ernest L. Spaulding,

George E. Field.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

Not absent for the year:

Carrie E. Bailey.

For one term:

George A. Adams,

Cora I. Wells,

Emma F. Harwood.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

Not absent for the year:

Edwin Baldwin,

Almon Baldwin,

Mark Baldwin.

For one term:

Bertha Gilmore,

Allan Chamberlain,
Percy Cutter,

Lucia Cutter.

DISTRICT NO 8.

Not absent for the year:

Willie B. Davis.

For one term:

Alice P. Nutting.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

For two terms;

Archie R. Garfield,

John P. Garfield,

Arthur L. Pierce.

For one term:

Grace A. Pierce,

Charles A. Pierce.

DISTRICT NO. 11.

Not absent for the year:

Nellie Fitzgerald,

Arthur E. Poole.

For one term:

Rebecca Livingston,
Willie S. Phelps,
Elton F. Proctor,Ned M. Livingston,
Charles E. Baldwin,Elwin P. Baldwin,
Almon A. Baldwin,
Ernest H. Jewell.

DISTRICT NO. 13.

Not absent for the year:

Annie F. Crowe,
Mary L. Crowe,Maggie E. Crowe,
Carrie H. Prescott,Henry M. Prescott,
Frank Crowe.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM W. LIVINGSTON,

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Jaffrey, N. H., Feb. 17, 1881.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE CONANT SCHOOL FUND.

DR.

To balance cash on hand as per last report,	\$294 74
Interest on \$9200 Town of Jaffrey Bonds,	552 00
Interest on \$200 New Hampshire State Bonds,	12 00
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	\$858 74

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By cash paid George H. Rockwood,	\$295 00	
Board of George H. Rockwood,	88 00	
Carrie E. Bigelow, including board,	98 00	
Care of school rooms,	16 00	
Wood, and fitting same,	20 00	
Incidentals,	6 85	
Balance cash on hand,	334 89	
	<hr/>	\$858 74

GEORGE A. UNDERWOOD, }
J. T. BIGELOW, } Trustees.
J. S. LACY, }

Jaffrey, Feb. 18, 1881.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE CONANT INDIGENT FUND.

Balance cash on hand as per last report,	\$65 92
Received interest on Cambridge City Bond,	60 00
Received interest on Cheshire Railroad Bond,	30 00
Received difference—Cheshire Railroad Bond and Kansas Pacific Consolidated Railroad Bond,	30 00
Received interest on Kansas Pacific Consolidated Rail- road Bond,	30 00
Interest due on Cheshire Railroad Stock,	48 00
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	\$263 92

Assistance rendered during the year :

Samuel Marble,	\$83 50	
Ira Rice,	11 28	
Mrs. J. Priest,	12 75	
Lucy D. Sawtell,	5 00	
John H. Wilkinson,	2 00	
Mary A. Chisholm,	10 00	
Rowena Bailey,	11 50	
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Amount expended,	\$136 03	
Balance cash on hand,	127 89	
	<hr/>	\$263 92

FRANKLIN A. CUTTER,	} Trustees.
MARY R. ADAMS,	
VALERIA L. CUTTER,	

Jaffrey, Feb. 18, 1881.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

DR.

To balance cash on hand as per last report,	\$ 4 58
Cash received of Town Treasurer,	616 94
Cash received of County,	63 96
	<hr/> \$685 48

CR.

By cash paid N. W. Mower for board of Enos Mower, one year to Jan. 1, 1881,	\$156 00
Clothes and medicine for Enos Mower,	8 87
Support of J. A. Page one year to Jan. 1, 1881,	117 00
George F. Gilmore for board of Sally Hemmingway one year to Jan. 1, 1881,	156 00
Board and expenses of Jennie E. Davis at the New Hampshire Asylum for the Insane from Feb. 26, 1880, to Jan. 1, 1881,	178 27
J. M. Darling, house furnished John S. Whitney,	33 23
Gilman Mower, " " " "	2 77
Wm. B. Robbins, meat " " " "	9 26
O. H. Bradley, med. attendance " "	11 50
Overseer, time and expense in taking Jennie E. Da- vis to N. H. Asylum at Concord,	9 85
Overseer, collecting pauper accounts at Keene,	8 90
Overseer, taking Luther Brigham to Co. Alms House,	7 20
Overseer's personal services,	8 75
	<hr/> \$707 60
Balance due Overseer,	22 12
	<hr/> \$685 48

FRANKLIN H. CUTTER, Overseer of the Poor.

Jaffrey, Feb. 18, 1881.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

The Selectmen of the town of Jaffrey respectfully submit the following report of the financial affairs of the town for the year ending March 1, 1881:

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid John A. Cutter, services as Selectman from Jan. 1, 1880,	
to March 9, 1880,	\$ 8 73
C. S. Bailey, services as Selectman for year ending Jan. 1, 1881,	80 75
G. A. Underwood, " " " " " "	68 25
Wm. B. Robbins, services as Selectman from Mar. 10, 1880, to	
Jan. 1, 1881,	67 50
Joseph P. Frost, Town Clerk, 1880,	10 00
Auditors, 1880,	4 50
Wm. W. Livingston, Supt. of Schools for year ending Mar. 1, 1881,	50 00
Charles H. Powers, Collector and Town Treasurer for year ending Mar. 1, 1881,	75 00
Alfred Sawyer, Supervisor,	8 75
John Frost, " "	7 75
James S. Lacy, " "	5 00
	\$386 23

BREAKING ROADS IN WINTER OF 1879-80.

Paid John Garfield,	\$3 78
Jonathan Page,	3 00
Charles Cutter,	6 04
Charles B. Davis,	2 35
Frederick Spaulding,	1 74
George L. Rice,	4 00
Nehemiah Cutter,	1 74
Joel H. Poole,	5 12
Charles S. Chamberlain,	2 68
Marshall C. Adams,	12 95
Michael D. Fitzgerald,	1 50
Wm. L. Frost,	1 87
Joseph W. Fassett,	14 74
Fred J. Lawrence,	2 12
C. W. Warren,	2 70
Leonard E. Spaulding,	14 80
James T. Brown,	6 17
Addison J. Adams,	2 87
Elliott O. Prescott,	1 38
Albert W. Hodge,	2 31—
	\$93 86

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

	No. of Miles.	Amount of Highway Tax.	Money.
Dist. No. 1, L. E. Spaulding,	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	\$41 44	\$43 39
2, A. J. Adams,	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	23 77	11 62
3, Jonathan Page,	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	6 00	12 43
4, Frederick Spaulding,	3	34 19	10 43
5, A. W. Hodge,	3	13 98	20 13
6, Henry Chamberlain,	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	28 82	40 00
7, C. W. Warren,	3	12 40	30 25
8, Joseph Smith,	4	87 00	16 67
9, M. C. Adams,	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	25 49	46 77
10, J. W. Fassett,	3 $\frac{3}{4}$	17 93	49 40
11, Joel H. Poole,	2 $\frac{1}{4}$	8 25	26 70
12, Nehemiah Cutter,	2 $\frac{1}{4}$	23 06	22 06
13, John A. Cutter,	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	153 44	13 00
14, H. M. Stearns,	1 $\frac{1}{4}$	25 17	19 25
15, John Garfield,	2 $\frac{1}{4}$	31 97	2 18
16, Charles Cutter,	4	105 68	17 50
17, J. M. M. Lacy,	3 $\frac{3}{4}$	81 77	
18, John Hecker,	2 $\frac{1}{4}$	80 31	4 31
19, Elliott O. Prescott,	2	36 83	14 10
20, Benjamin Pierce,	2 $\frac{1}{4}$	95 68	
21, Addison Pierce,	6	38 99	50 00
22, Fred J. Lawrence,	4	16 88	43 10
23, Wm. L. Frost,	4	18 58	31 40
24, E. B. Crowe,	4	19 63	33 79
25, Alfred Sawyer,	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	143 62	
26, M. D. Fitzgerald,	$\frac{3}{4}$	4 52	8 86
27, C. Marshall Stuart,	$\frac{3}{4}$	1 64	11 07
Chas. Bacon, gravel for highway,			2 25
Asa Nutting,			3 00
Jacob Buckwold, hauling sand,			11 25
John Garfield, repairs on bridges,			14 03
Addison Pierce, " "			44 20
H. M. Stearns, " "			7 00
A. S. Raymond, bridge plank,			21 47— \$686 61

SCHOOL MONEY.

Dist. No. 1, Alfred Sawyer,	\$136 21
2, Charles Cutter,	631 71
3, Albert W. Hodge,	117 85
4, Addison J. Adams,	82 56
5, Daniel P. Adams,	113 16
6, Francis L. King,	115 77
7, Joseph Smith,	231 67
8, Joseph A. Thayer,	106 91
9-10, Elbridge Donovan,	158 16
11, John W. Woodruff,	74 70
12, Alvah Stanley,	59 30
13, Benjamin F. Prescott,	79 48—\$1907 48

RINGING BELLS.

Paid Edward A. Coburn,	\$19 50
Samuel D. Jewell,	24 50— \$44 00

TAXES ABATED.

Paid G. G. McCoy,	\$7 94	
Franklin H. Cutter,	4 45	
Ira G. Starkey,	1 79	
Dana S. Jaquith,	1 07—	\$15 25

TAXES PAID.

Paid Charles H. Powers, Treasurer, County Tax,	\$1,228 71	
“ “ “ State Tax,	1,868 00—	\$3,096 71

OVERSEER OF POOR.

Paid Franklin H. Cutter,	\$616 94
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INTEREST ON TOWN BONDS.

Paid Charles H. Powers, treasurer,	\$1502 00
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POLICE.

Paid N. W. Mower,	\$12 00	
N. W. Mower, services of special Police,	11 00	
John E. Baldwin,	1 50—	\$24 50

TOWN BONDS REDEEMED.

Paid Charles H. Powers,	\$1,000
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EXPENSE OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid M. M. Bascom,	\$184 09
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MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid John E. Baldwin, repairing chandelier, setting glass, &c.,	\$4 55
W. W. Livingston, books furnished destitute scholars,	2 37
J. B. Sanborn, receipt book for the use of the town,	12 50
Farnum & Scott, printing town reports,	44 00
Wm. B. Robbins, highway surveyor books,	2 00
White & Pierce, insuring town house,	36 00
Wm. B. Robbins, money voted for Decoration day,	30 00
Farnum & Scott, printing invoices and taxes,	41 25
F. H. Cutter, insuring engine and engine house,	7 50
Wm. B. Robbins, money expended for public watering place, East Jaffrey,	81 68
Charles Nutting, digging ditch and other expenses for public watering place,	64 25
Joseph P. Frost, notifying jurors, recording births and deaths, postage, stationery, &c.,	16 95
Charles Cutter, stone posts for watering trough,	2 50
F. S. Pierce, services as auctioneer and constable,	6 00
C. H. Powers, Treasurer, notes and interest paid Mo-nadnock National Bank,	735 77
D. A. Coburn, blacksmith work on watering trough,	5 15
Heath Bros., printing blank orders,	50
Joseph Smith, public watering place,	3 00
George A. Underwood, one cord wood for town hall,	4 50
D. A. Coburn, iron work for lobby,	1 25
Benjamin Pierce, public watering place,	3 00

Farnum & Scott, printing tax receipts,	2 40
Ellen McCarthy, public watering place,	3 00
M. M. Bascom, printing blank appointments,	50
N. W. Mower, cutting brush in old cemetery, and lock furnished,	4 80—\$1,115 42

RECAPITULATION.

Town Officers	\$ 386 23
Breaking Roads.....	93 86
Highways and Bridges	686 61
School Money	1,907 48
Ringing Bells.....	44 00
Taxes Abated.....	15 25
Taxes Paid.....	3,096 71
Overseer of Poor	616 94
Interest on Town Bonds.....	1,502 00
Town Bonds Redeemed	1,000 00
Police.....	24 50
Fire Department	184 09
Miscellaneous.....	1,115 42
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	\$10,673 09

Amount of 133 orders drawn by the Selectmen during the
year ending March 1, 1881, \$10,673 09

CLARENCE S. BAILEY,
GEORGE A. UNDERWOOD, } Selectmen
W. B. ROBBINS, } of
Jaffrey.

LITERARY FUND.

	Principal.	Int. paid.
Mortgage and note signed by J. R. Stanley, dated Jan. 1, 1878,	\$250 00	\$15 00
Mortgage and note signed by Christina Barten- back, dated Aug. 22, 1878,	250 00	15 00
Mortgage and note signed by J. M. Darling, dated Dec. 18, 1878,	220 00	13 20
Mortgage and note signed by John Mann, dated Jan. 1, 1878,	226 00	13 56
Note signed by Oliver Bacon, dated Dec. 30, 1875,	27 00	3 24
Bolster Place (near Troy), valued at	150 00	
Three Shares Monadnock National Bank,	300 00	30 00
Town of Jaffrey Bonds (6 per cent.),	1000 00	60 00
“ “ “ (4 per cent.),	400 00	16 00
Due from the Town Treasury,	140 37	
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	\$2963 37	\$166 00

C. H. POWERS, Treasurer.

Jaffrey, March 1, 1881.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

To cash on hand as per last report,	\$ 59 43
Of the Selectmen (borrowed),	706 00
Withdrawn from the Savings Bank,	1337 91
Interest on Annie M. Donovan's note,	13 64
Of Ellen McCarthy, interest on Conant Re- pairing Fund,	30 00
Of State Treasurer for Insurance Tax,	3 75
“ “ Railroad Tax,	303 89
“ “ Savings Bank Tax,	2694 43
“ “ Literary Tax,	103 97
Interest on Literary Fund,	166 00
For outstanding taxes of 1877,	3 94
“ “ 1878,	22 47
“ “ 1879,	313 02
“ “ 1880,	6,247 24
Interest on outstanding taxes,	3 93
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By 133 orders paid,	\$10,673 09
By cash on hand,	1,336 53
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LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

Outstanding 6 per cent. Bonds,	\$10,200 00
Outstanding 4 per cent. Bonds,	9,000 00
Due the Literary Fund,	140 37
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ASSETS.

Literary Fund,	\$2,963 37	
Annie M. Donovan, note and mortgage,	214 25	
Conant Repairing Fund,	1,000 00	
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OUTSTANDING TAXES.

Outstanding taxes for 1877,	\$59 59
“ “ 1878,	51 61
“ “ 1879,	41 62
“ “ 1880,	385 71

C. H. POWERS, Treasurer.

Jaffrey, March 1, 1881.

We, the undersigned, have examined the reports of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Treasurer of the Literary Fund, Overseer of the Poor, and the report of the Trustees and securities of Conant Indigent Fund, and find them fully vouched and correctly cast.

JOSEPH W. FASSETT, }
JOHN B. SHEDD, } Auditors.

ENGINEER'S REPORT.

The Fire Company has been called out but once since my last report. On April 15th an alarm was sent from the Centre of the town. It proved to be a brush fire, and the engine was returned to the engine house. The expenses of the Fire Department for the year are \$184.09. Everything pertaining to the Fire Department for the extinguishing of fire is in good order.

M. M. BASCOM,

Chief Engineer of Jaffrey Fire Department.

East Jaffrey, Feb. 23, 1881.

LIQUOR AGENTS' REPORTS.

Amount of goods on hand Mar. 1, 1880,	\$96 68
Amount of goods bought,	447 08
Amount of goods sold,	501 84
Amount of goods on hand March 1, 1881,	75 00

J. S. LACY, Agent.

Amount of goods bought,	\$123 46
Amount of goods sold,	154 91
Amount on hand,	32 00

G. C. DUNCAN, Agent.

February 20, 1881.



